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Under 37 CFR § 1.116  
Group Art Unit: 2616  
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In re Patent Application of:  
Yoshihiko Suemura

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Art Unit: 2616

For: COMMUNICATION NETWORK, PATH  
SETTING METHOD AND NODE  
APPARATUS USED THEREFOR

Examiner: J. M. Philpott

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 24, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1 and 3-12, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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